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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Coleman, et al.

Serial No. 09/108,232

Filed: July 1, 1998

STABILE INVERT FUEL EMULSION

COMPOSITIONS AND METHOD OF

**MAKING** 

Art Unit: 1721

Examiner: Johnson, J. D.

## **DECLARATION OF DENNIS L. ENDICOTT**

**Director of Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

- I, Dennis L. Endicott, hereby declare and state as follows:
- 1. I currently reside at 419 West Clybourn Court, Peoria, Illinois, 61614.
- 2. I am one of the named inventors of the above referenced application. I earned a B.S. in Chemistry from Bradley University in 1977 and am using my degree in my employment by Caterpillar Inc.
- 3. I have read and understand the specification and claims of the above referenced patent application.
- 4. I have personal knowledge that those of ordinary skill in the art of fuel emulsions would have known at the time of filing, July 1, 1998, that PLURONIC 17R2 is equivalent to "an EO/PO block copolymer having approximately between 20 weight percent ethylene oxide (EO) and an approximate molecular weight of the propylene oxide (PO) block of about 1700."

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5. I have personal knowledge that those of ordinary skill in the art of fuel emulsions would have known at the time of filing, July 1, 1998, that ICI HYPERMER E 464 is equivalent to "a non-ionic polymeric dispersant."

I further declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may jeopardize the validity or enforceability of a patent issued from this patent application.

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